Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Prince William and Fairfax counties, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

October 22, 2014 to November 13, 2014

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Certification

DEQ is reviewing a federal action to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) is considering a request by the Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company (Transco) to issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing construction and operation of proposed activities in Prince William and Fairfax counties. Transco's purpose is to provide an additional natural gas transportation capacity to delivery points that would be accessible by customers in the mid-Atlantic and southeast. According to the Federal Consistency Certification (FCC), project activities include modifications of ten existing aboveground facilities in these counties. Construction areas will be located within existing right-of-ways. The majority of impacts would be temporary according to the FCC. The temporary work space required for construction would be approximately 5.47 acres in Fairfax County with 0.02 acres of new easement required. Approximately 1.12 acres, including temporary work space and existing access roads, will be affected in Prince William County. The FCC states that wetlands will not be affected. According to the FCC, the project will be consistent with the enforceable policies of the VCP.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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